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SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR RESOURCE ECONOMICS COURSE: DANIEL
DN. DALEY

REF: STATE 6460

¶11. As per reftel, this cable is a formal request for admission to the Resource Economics Seminar, PE 142, to be offered July 9-13 in Washington and Denver.

¶12. Applicant information: Daniel N. Daley is currently assigned as an Economic Officer in Bangkok, Thailand, with a TED of July, 2007. His onward assignment is as the Economic / Commercial Officer in Lilongwe, Malawi, with a transfer date of September, 2007.

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¶14. Tentative travel plans: Depart Bangkok o/a July 14-15 for travel to Washington, DC, for FSI training, followed by home leave and arrival at onward post in September or October. Departure from Bangkok would be advanced a week if accepted into the Resource Economic Seminar.

¶15. As the only Economic Officer in the Embassy in Lilongwe, Daniel Daley will be responsible for covering all aspects of the Malawian economy. Although the country's economy is primarily agriculture based, Malawi is currently mining coal and has substantial uranium deposits in the north.

Australia's Paladin Resources Ltd. will complete a bankable feasibility study in early 2007 and is in negotiations with the GOM for a development agreement. Given the high global demand for uranium, development of this mineral resource could prove to be a significant factor in the development of the Malawi economy. Participation in the Resource Economics Seminar would provide Mr. Daley with the background to report on such developments and effectively interact with a Malawi government itself having little experience in the minerals sector.

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